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IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of: **WASHIZU, Masao et al.**

Group Art Unit: **1755**

Serial No.: **09/670,399**

Examiner: **Jennine M. Brown**

Filed: **September 27, 2000**

P.T.O. Confirmation No.: 7255

FOR: METHOD FOR SEPARATING SUBSTANCES USING DIELECTROPHORETIC FORCES

AMENDMENT UNDER 37 CFR §1.111

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

August 19, 2004

Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated **March 26, 2004**, extended to **August 26, 2004**, by a two-month Petition for Extension of Time, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 13 of this paper.